



ROVING EDITOR • Henry Hurt

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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

You probably think I'm no better than the legions of bureaucrats you've dealt with over the years. Please be assured of how much I appreciate each item you send me. I've been on the road a lot lately but not to the Washington area. I am greatly looking forward to talking to you and to meeting Mrs. Weisberg, whose gracious qualities are mentioned by so many of the people I've seen.

I agree with your comments on Hosty, and I have talked to the man at length on two occasions in past years. His is a tortured soul, but there is little reason to think he knows anything about which he spoke on the ABC program. Nonetheless, in this book I hope I can set the record straight about what happened to him.

The rains down here are beyond belief. Our garden yielded lettuce, spinach and peas for about three days, and then we were overrun by weeds. Farmers have lost all of their wheat since they cannot get tractors into the field to harvest. But a wonderful season for birds: we have three or four pair of catbirds, our old pair of mockingbirds, but the pileated woodpeckers have not shown up. The hummingbirds were early this year, but only my neighbors have been favored. We await them impatiently.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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